amount of credit drawn and outstanding.

Statement

List of projects with WB Assistance for the Development of Intensive Agriculture in India

Name of the project	Date of signing/ closing	Credit Amount	Utilisation as on 30.6.96	Undrawn Balance as on 30.6.96	Utilisation in last six months
1. TN ADP	11.1.91 30.6.97	86.23	40.10	46.13	6.035
2. RAJ ADP	17.12.92 30.9.99	113.41	41.26	72.15	8.971
3. Bihar Plateau Dev.	17.12.92 30.6.98	126.15	16.40	109.73	2.301
4. Assam Rural Infrastructure & Agri. Services	6.6.95 31.12.2003	126.00	2.00	124.00	0.000

Phenomenal growth of Cities in India

2904. SHRIMATI JAYAPRADA NAHATA: DR. D. VENKATESHWAR RAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the growth of cities in India is phenomenal where out of the 14 maga cities of the world with a population of over 10 million, two are Indians;

(b) if so, whether Mumbai has population of 14.5 million and Calcutta has 11.5 millions;

(c) whether by the year 2000, Mumbai is expected to be the second largest city of the World, Tokyo being the first;

(d) if so, what are the other points made by the World Health Organisation, UNICEF or the United Nations Fund for population activities;

(e) whether Government have examined their new areas; and

(f) if so, what steps are being taken to check this growth?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) According to the 1991 Census Mumbai and Calcutta Urban Agglomeration's Population is 12.6 million and 11.0 million respectively. However, as per the United Nations estimates of Population for the year 1995, Mumbai & Calcutta have a population of 14.5 million and 11.5 million respectively.

(c) Yes, Sir, according to the United Nations Publication "World Urbanization Prospects, The 1994 Revision".

(d) to (f) According to the United Nations Report mentioned at (c) above, percentage of Urban population in India will be 28.6 in 2000. Population programmes in the country are being reoriented to focus on quality of care. This in turn is expected to lead to greater acceptance of family planning.

A centrally sponsored scheme named Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns is under implementation for strengthening infrastructure facilities in selected small and medium towns to enable them to emerge as centres of growth and employment, thereby reducing the incentive for population living in interlands to migrate to large cities, by the Ministry of Urban Affairs and Employment.

Ill effects of refractive surgery

2905. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several

advertisements have been appearing in newspapers these days asking people to throw away their glasses through refractive surgery including the use of excimer laser despite the fact that the success rate of this technology is only 58 per cent and in many cases people may lose their eye sight; and

(b) if so, what are the details of this techn que and the success rate thereof and what action Government propose to take to warn the people of the ill effects of the technology?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The use of excimer laser technology for refractive surgery is new in our country. It is mostly used for myopia and astigmatism. There are no ill effects except that it is a painful procedure and may cause late corneal haze.

Completion of AIR and Doordarshan stations in Hissar

2906. SHRI RAMJI LAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that foundation stones of Doordarshan and AIR Stations were laid on 13th September, 1994 in Hissar (Haryana);

(b) if so, what target has been fixed for the completion of their construction;

(c) what steps have been taken for attaining the target;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the construction work of Doodarshan Station has not yet been commenced; and

(e) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) Foundation of AIR Station at Hissar was laid on 3.9.94 Bhumi Poojan at PGF site in Hissar was performed on the same day.

(b) to (e) Civil works in respect of AIR project is in progress and the project is likely to be completed by March, 1997. One HPT and one Studio Centre at Hissar are envisaged to be set up subject to availability of fund and other infrastructural facilities.

Additional Resources for PHCs under Social Safety Net Scheme in Madhya Pradesh

2907. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some districts in Madhya Pradesh with birth rates above 39 per thousand are being provided additional resources for Primary Health Centres (PHCs) by Government under the Social Safety Net Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what infrastructural facilities are being provided in PHCs with the additional resources in the State;

(d) whether Government have noticed any fall in the birth rate in any of these districts in the recent past; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEMA IQBAL SHERVANI)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Under the Social Safety New Scheme Five PHCs each in the 23 demographically weak district (birth rate above 39 per thousand) every year are being provided following additional facilities under the Social Safety Net Scheme:

(i) an operation theatre
(ii) an observation ward with six beds
(iii) a labour room
(iv) a generator
(v) a water pump
(vi) an ambulance, if not already available
(vii) Promotion of Information, Education & Commnication

For all these activities a lump-sum amount of Rs. 10.00 lakhs per PHC has been provided. During 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 a sum of Rs. 1150 lakhs was provided and in 1995-96 a sum of Rs. 530 lakhs has been provided.

(d) and (e) There is no perceptable change in birth rate during last three years as the scheme is in different stages of progress in these districts.